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In re Application of: Keys, D.A. et al.

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Method and Apparatus for Increasing the For:

**Dynamic Range and Accuracy of Binding** 

**Assays** 

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Reply

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In Response to the Final Official Action of September 24, 2003, issued with respect to the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following Reply comprising Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, Amendments to the Specification, and Remarks.

## **Introductory Comments**

This Reply has been formatted in attempted compliance with the revised provisions of 37 CFR 1.121.

No fee is believed to be due in order for the timely consideration of this Reply. If, however, the Commissioner determines that such a fee is required, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge any (Large Entity) fee required for consideration of this submission to Deposit Account 50-0548.